ALL PRAISE IT WARMLY

Prominent Men Endorse the Torrens System. .

COURT CLERKS WANT IT

Messrs. Saville of Richmond, Waddill of Henrico, Duval of Manchester Like the System Greatly - Messrs. Scott, Bryan and Rose for It.

The Torrens System of Land Registra tion is meeting with unqualified approval on the part of all who have investigated

The first person is yet to be found who has looked into the operation of the system who is not pleased with it and is not assured that it possesses immense ad-

Yesterday a number of well known res dents of Richmond and vicinity were asked for an expression on the Torrens Sys-The opinion of these gentlemer being to find out what business men the present to warrant its adoption in the Therefore the interviewer sought out those whose business experience in cluded many transfers of real estate or those whose everyday business it was to attend to such matters, such as real es-tate men and clerks of courts.

It is a notable fact that strong en-orsements come from Clerks Saville, of he Richmond Chancery Court, Waddill, the Henrico County Court, and Duyal of the Henrico County Court, and Duval, of the Manchester Hustings Court, and that President Rose, of the Real Estate Association, is most favorably improssed with it, so far as he had opportunity to inform himself concerning it. Other prominent men are equally enthusiastic. Their own words speak for them:

Mr. Sam P. Waddill.

My information as to the Torrens" System leads me to believe that if adopted in Virginia it would be of incalculable benefit to the owners of real estate. In the adjudication of the title in the first tate of Massachusetts should be pro-

Tate of Massachusetts should be provided here. The system cannot be made compulsory, but the advantages gained by those adopting it would soon be manifest so it would grow year by year until it would ultimately become of almost universal application.

The inability to use real estate, especially in the country, as a source of credit causes the owner to become indifferent to defects in his title, and as time goes by the difficulty of relieving these embarrassments becomes greater, and finally an expensive litigation must be incurred to remedy the objections. Under the ed to remedy the objections. Under the Porrons System the title to be available

nt that the title to real estate often becomes so clouded that it takes weeks
and months to clear the encumbrances.
If a purchaser has been secured in advance he, oftentimes, is not willing to
wait for these proceedings to be perfected, and moreover become suspicious of
such a title, and withdraws his offer for
the proporty. An activity in real estate,
that has remained dormant so long,
would be awakened, and it would become a live asset instead of being so
much dead capital with the ever recurring
burden of taxation.

burden of taxation. Mr. Fred. W. Scott.

Mr. Fred W. Scott, banker and broker ice-president of the Richmond Stock Ex-hange, was asked yesterday what he bought considerable property recently and probably owns the most valuable vacant residence property in the city, the lot adjoining the Franklin Street residence of the late Major Ginter. Therefore, his acquaintance with the old system is sufficient to make him sick and tired of it.

Mr. Joseph Bryan.

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Mr. Joseph Bryan was also asked for his opinion as to the efficiency and advantages of the Torrens system.

He replied; "My Denr Sir.—The present method of the transfer of real estate is one hundred years behind the times. Compared with the Torrens system, it is like an ox cart beside a modern locomotive."

Mr. Bryan was confident it was one of the best moves ever inaugurated for the business interest of the State.

"It will increase the business of real estate men a hundred fold, say that for me," continued he with enthusiasm. "People dislike to buy property, the means of transfer is so cumbersome, it takes so long and costs so much. There is hardly any end to it."

Mr. Bryan has been an advocate of the Torrens system for a number of years. He would like very much to see it adopted, believing its operation to be of great gdvantage to the State.

President E. S. Rose,

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Mr. E. S. Rose, president of the Richmond Real Estate Association, was found almost in the act of studying the Toriens system. "I am not quite in a position to tell you positively what I think of the system," sail he. "I have been studying it at odd times for several days, and what I have learned of its operation, I am greatly pleased with. It has not a single disadvantage so far as I am asa." he concluded. a single disadvant see," he concluded.

Mr. A. L. Adamson,
Mr. A. L. Adamson, one of the most widely known real estate agents of this section, with his office in Manchester, thinks the Torrons system a spiendid one, in that it makes it easier for real estate owners to make deals and transact other business that may require real estate security.

"It would probably cause the loss of many fees to lawyers and real estate mon, too," said Mr. Adamson, "but it would be a most convenient system for property owners, and a most desirable one."

Clerk Duval's Opinion. Clerk Duval, of the Manchester court, said he had not studied the system care-

be most acceptable to property owners.

"It will give the clerk more work to do, and it will require a larger amount of research on the start. That will give the lawyers plenty of work in getting the deeds and transfers and mortgages into working order, but after that I should think the lawyers would have little business in that respect. But the great public are the people who would derive whatever benefit there is in it."

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ELOPE TO WASHINGTON

STRIKE IN COLORADO

State Troops Protecting U.S. Reduction

Company's Plant.

after March Sth. This introduces it strike into the Cripple Creek District, the Elkton Company says it will continu

MURDERED HER HUSBAND

Claimed He Had Been Shot by Burglan

Who Robbed the House.

BY STRANGULATION

Third Wife of Albert Knapp Proves to Be His Fifth Victim.

(Br Associated Press.)
NEW ALBANY, IND., March 3.—Trebly
identified by Charles Goddard, her uncle,
Edward King, the brother-in-law of her

strangulation. The three them after a short consultation decided that the best thing to be done was to take the body to Hamilton, where it will be burled in the Goddard lot in the cemetery there.

Conference at Washington.

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(By Associated Press.)

SCRANTON, PA., March 3.—Representatives of the operators and miners have been summened by the mine strike commission for a conference in Washington to take place Thursday next. All the local lawyers who appeared before the commission will leave to-morrow for Washington. The summons from the commission simply states that the commissioners want to confer about the question of weighing cost.

Buys a Handsome Residence. Messrs. Pollard and Bagby, real estate

igents, yesterday sold the handsome residence. No. 5 East Franklin Street, to residence. No. b East Fightin Street, to Mr. E. D. Hotchkiss, who also owns one of the adjoining residen as, which is his home. The price was \$9,300. This is one of the notable sales of the winter.

g Mr. Julian W. Tyler is on a business, trip to New York.

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Liver Ills.

Perfect Health. Keep the system in perfect order by the occasional use of Tutt's

Liver Pills. They regulate the

A Vigorous Body

For sick headache, malaria, bil-

iousness, constipation and kindred

LYNCHBURG COUPLE

been let into the secret

Olerk C. O. Saville.

Major Charles O. Saville, cierk of the Chancery Court of Richmond, has given the Torrens System careful consideration. He thinks it an excellent plan and believes it will facilitate the work in his office. By its adoption many fees that have been going to invyers will be cut off after the system has been put into good working shape, but to those more directly interested it will prove of vast benefit. It will do away with the tedious pouring over court books, and will put the condition of all property directly before those with whom business is expected to be transacted, and make the issue of certificates a plain matter of Aldrich Bill Had Both Good and Bad Features.

FAVORS SEATING SMOOT

Senator Daniel Says that Even Though the Ttah Member Be a Polygamist He Should Be Given Seat to Which He Has Been Elected.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, No. 1417 G Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., March 3.

Now that the Aldrich currency bill is (Epecial to The Times-Dispatch.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.-Mr.
Walter Preston Tyree and Miss Mary
Carter Glass, both of Lynchburg, cluded
the parents of the latter and were married hers last night. The knot was tied
at the home of Mrs. Nannie Sinton, No.
1012 Fourteenth Street, Northwest, in the was not crystalized. Neither Democrats the session, received full discussion, and been amended in several particulars, as it have been, it would have been much more acceptable to the men who were opposed to its passage at this ses-

> Senator Balley made the very strongest speech made in support of the bill, but as a rule, the Democrats and western Republicans were opposed to it. Senators Morgan, Carmack, McLaurin of Mississippi, and Patterson, of Comorado, made speeches against the bill that engaged the closest attention of the Senate

Democrats presented the stronger argument funds to banks at one and one-hall money at six per cent. Banking institutions would thus not only receive a practical gift of thou-sands of dollars from the National Government, but would also be assured an on the gift. It may be that financier who urged the passage of the bill can an would practically make a gift to bank ing institutions of the money loaned. Or course, the loans would never be called

Who Robbed the House.

(By Associated Press.)

DAVID CITY, NEB., March 3.—The jury in the Lillie murder case this afternoon brought in a verdict of guilty and fixed the punishment at imprisonment for life. Mrs. Lena M. Lillie was accused of the murder of her husband, Harviy Lillie, October 24th last by shooting him as he lay sleeping in bed. Mrs. Lillie claimed her husband had been shot by a burging who had robbed the house of cal ticket. It was Senator Morgan who made this argument, and the shrewd old statesman did not hesitate to say that Democrats and Republicans would act in the same way in the matter.

Had the bill been introduced earlier in the session it would have passed. The passage of a currency bill similar to the Aldrich bill, at the next session, is almost certain. claimed her husband had been shot by a burgiar who had robbed the house of 1300 in cash. Mr. Lillie was a popular business man without known enemics, and his domestic affairs were supposed to be pleasant. It was testified at the trial that Mrs. Lillie was a steady patron of bucket shops and had lost much money. It was also shown that her husband's life insurance in her favor was \$5,000.

most certain.

WANTS SMOOT SEATED.

"I am in favor of seating Senator Smoot," said Senator Daniel to-day.

"Even if he be a polygamist?" I asked.

"Even if he be a polygamist," said the Senator decidedly, after a brief pause.

"He has been elected by the Legislature of the State and should be seated."

with provisions for the purchase of several sites. Naturally, Mr. Glass feels that he was not treated with fairness in the matter, as he relied upon the assurances given him and did not make further effort to get the needed appropriations. Just at present Mr. Glass is trying to get a pension for a Charlotte county woman, whose husband died as the result of sickness contracted during service in the Spanish war.

CHARLOTTE POSTMASTER.

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Senator Pritchard and the "carpetbaggers" won in the Charlotte postoffice
fight. The President has sent to the
Senate the name of R. W. Smith to be
postmaster of Charlotte. He agreed some
weeks ago to appoint Smith, but Senator
Pritchard consented to have the appointment delayed in order to give Jake Newell
time to come on here and make a fight
for the place. Nowell made the fight and
lost, though he is a native of Charlotte
and has been a North Carolina Republican for years. Smith worked in a planing mill and came to Charlotte about
twelve years ago.

The President sent to the Senate today the nomination of Presley M. Rixey,
of Culpeper county, to be a second lieutenant in the army. Mr. Rixey is a kinsman of Representative Rixey.

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Hon. Lee Overman. Senator-elect from North Carolina, was on the floor of the Senate to-day. Mr. Overman was in the company of Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, who plays the part of mentor and chaperone.

The Virginia Congressmen will leave the city promptly upon the adjournment of Congress to-morrow, with the exception of Mr. Hay, who has business in Washington which will keep him here for probably a month. Mrs. Hay will go to Richmond at once to visit relatives.

Mr. Charles Hammer, Representative Glass' secretary, went over to Ballimore to-night to attend a reception given by Mr. and Mrs. J. M. D. Heald to Mr. Edward Ernest Heald and bride. The latter was formerly Miss Louise Dabney, of Chatham, Va.

ASKS DAMAGES OF HALF MILLION DOLLARS

MINEOLA, I. I. March 3.—Papers wore filed here to-day in the sult instituted by Camille Weldenfield, who was recently suspended from the New York Exchange, against William McClure, secretary of the Stock Exchange, Herbert R. Limburger, the counsel of the plaintiff, in a deposition, alleges that McClure

WERE DIVIDED MUNYON'S 57TH CONGRESS

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His Honest Efforts to Prove the Efficacy of His Remedy Meet With Unparalleled Success.

Free Distribution From the Office of The Times-Dispatch Closed. Ask Your Druggist for What You Want.

Monday and yesterday Professor Mun-yon advertised to give away absolutely free 10,000 vials of his Rheumatism Remedy, requesting the newspapers of the city to investigate and publish the results in each case as reported to them, ofther good or bad. In this way Profes-sor Munyon proposed to prove the eff-cacy of his Rheumatism Remedy before cacy of his kneumatism Remeay before asking the public to spend one cent. Never before in the history of medicine lias there been a physician or company who have dared to risk their reputation in an actual test of the remedies by the people. Such unbounded faith in the

Company.

During the past ten years Professor Munyon has given away free over 30,000,000 bottles of his cures from leading dailles all over the country, and in no case have they reported, after careful investigation, less than 30 per cent, out of overy 100 cured or greatly benefited. What a contrast between this honest method of proving the virtue of his remedies and others who promise so

the body. Acute or muscular rheumatism can be cured in from one to five days. It speedily cures shooting pains, sciatica, lumbago and all rheumatic pains in the back, hips and loins. It seldom fails to give relief after one or two doses, and almost invariably cures before one bottle has been used.

Stomach and Dyspepsia Cure. Munyon's Stomach and Dyspepsia Cure cures all forms of indigestion and stomach trouble, such as rising of food, distress after eating, shortness of breathers.

ach trouble, such as rising of food, distress after eating, shortness of breath and all affections of the heart caused by indigestion, wind on the stomach, bad taste, offensive breath, loss of appetite, faintness or weakness of stomach, coated tongue, heartburn, shooting pains of the stomach, constipation dizziness, faintness and lack of energy.

Munyon's Nerve Cure cures all the symptoms of nervous exhaustion, such as depressed spirits, failure of memory, restless or sleepless nights, pains in the head and dizziness. It cures general debility, stimulates and strengthens' the nerves and fones up the whole system. Price, 25 cents.

Munyon's Kidney Cure cures pains in the back, loins or groins

to a natural and healthy condition.

Munyon's Liver Cure corrects headache, billousness, jaundice, constipation and all liver diseases. Price, 25 cents.

Munyon's Cold Cure prevents pneumonia and breaks up a cold in a few hours. Price, 25 cents.

Munyon's Cough Cure stops coughs, night sweats, allays sorcness and speedily heals the lungs. Price, 25 cents.

Munyon's Female Remedles are a boon to all women. Price, 25 cents.

Munyon's Headache Cure stops headache in three minutes. Price, 25 cents.

Munyon's Pile Ointment cures all forms of piles. Price, 25 cents.

Munyon's Althma Cure and Herbs are guaranteed to relieve asthma in three minutes and cure in five days. Price, 50 cents each.

Munyon's Blood Cure eradicates all impurities from the blood. Price, 25 cents.

Munyon's Vitalizer imparts new life, restores lost power to weak and dobilitated men. Price, \$1.

Munyon's Homeopathic Remedy Company, 1505 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa, puts up specifics for nearly every disease, mostly for 25 cents a bottle.

Sold by All Retail Druggists.

did not make the charges against his client in good faith, but wilfully, recklessly, dishonestly and maliciously, and the plaintig seeks to recover punitive damages to the amount of \$500,000, together with costs and disbursements.

CLEVELAND WILL SPEAK AT BEECHER MEMORIAL

PRINCETON, N. J., March 3.—Former President Cleveland returned to Princeton to-day from Stuart, Fla., where he has been staying for several weeks. He said that he had enjoyed his stay in Vart, although while he went out boating and fishing frequently, rainy weather had kept him in doors considerably. He will be one of the speakers at the Beecher memorial meeting in Brooklyri next week.

A bargain in every Times-Dispatch want ad. It will pay you to look them over.

a speech.

As the nght erows older a portion of the attendants at the death of a legislative session grew more wide awake. The immigration bill, abolishing the saloon in the cafe, has not yet gone into effect. A large number of House members gathered in the lobby at the rear of the hall and lifted up their voices in song, more loud than harmonious.

voices in sons more than a superior in loss.

A rumor credited in many quarters that the President had said to-night he would call an extra session of Congress if the Philippine tariff bill does not pass is generally current. It can hardly be true.

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At 2 A. M. each House is sitting. The Senate looks decidedly sleepy. Mr. Quay has put his statchood bill on the Philippine bill as a rider, and it is being read.

Not half the members are in their seats, and those who are there are paying scant attention to relief bills being passed under suspension of the rules. In the House everybody is wide awake, but three looking. The five minute speeches proceed with energy; the sprinkling of spectators in the gallery still look interested, and the Speaker's heavy gavel is beating the funeral march of the Fifty-seventh Congress.

W. E. H.

NEARLY A FIGHT IN LOWER HOUSE

day was almost a repetition of yesterday in the House. Slowly, but surely through the operation of ceasiess rollcalls the conference reports to complete calls the conference reports to complete the necessary legislation were ground out and when the House at 7 o'clock to-night recessed until 10 o'clock, only two conference reports on appropriation bills were still undisposed of—the general deficiency and the navel. The Democratic opposition did not abate and will be confinued until Congress expires at hoon March 4th.

During the debate on conference reports members on each side got in po-

ports members on each side got in po-litical speeches and several times party passion flared up. Just before the recess bedlam broke loose, and there was an ex-

on the immigration, public building an sundry civil bills, the reference of

1798, which helped to bring on the war of the rebellion in which 200,000 Americans lost their lives." If a monument to Jef-ferson was to be erected, he said, it should be erected by his political ad-

eader, reading an editorial in condemn Payne moved a recess. The motion valled and at 7 o'clock the House re

When the House reconvened at 1 o'clock to-night the hall presented to brilliant appearance. The overhanging adopted. The "veter

The report we The report was adopted. The "veter-ans' preference" bill was passed, as was also the Senate bill to pay widow of Dr. Walter Reed a pension of \$125 a month. Mr. Foss, chairman of the Naval Com-mittee, presented the conference report on the naval appropriation bill at 2:30 A. Mr., with a brief explanation saying it was a complete victory for the House

TILLMAN FORCED HAND OF REPUBLICANS

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March A.—The final defeat of the Aldrich financial bill was witnessed in the Senate to-day, when it was displaced by the Phillippine tarff bill. Mr. Aldrich explained in detail his measure, and said that a small number of men in the Senate had deliberately, with malice aforethought, murdered it.

One of the features of the session was the fact that for the first time in two years Delaware was represented in the Senate. J. Frank Allee and L. Helsler Ball, elected for the long and short terms, respectively, appeared in the Senate, and were sworn in by President protem Frye. Besides the two years that Delaware had been totally unrepresented in the Senate, there were two years from to-day, while Mr. Allee has four years to serve. The Senate for the first time in four years has its full membership of ninety.

Mr. Hoar called up the conference report on the bill to protect the President. Mr. Bacon, of Georgia, declared that the alleged conference report is a bill, which, with the exception of one single section, had never been read in the Senate. The bill, he said, is far-reaching in its character, and absolutely subversive of the fundamental principles upon which the government is founded.

Replying, Mr. Hoar insisted mat the conference report was the Senate bill in its entirety with the exception of the matter of gravity of a crime committed aguitst an officer and an individual.

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In the course of the debate to-day, Mr.

Cohen's Store.

Thousands of Dollars in Laces.

The sale proves Cohen good merchandise judgment. Laces are advancing rapidly; and almost all these on sale are at special prices and include all the

ecru, white and Arab 25c that sell usually at 121-2c choice of over 100 pieces, a

Straight Insertions and Applique Venise Laces, regularly 19c and 25c, are priced 12 1-2c and 19c.

The Separable Grape Motifs, in large designs, per \$1.6

Other Grape Design 50C

The new Cluny Laces, in real hand made insertions, 25c to \$1.75

party had been false to its solemn pledges in three successive platforms with respect to statehood for Arlzona, Oklahoma and New Mexico, and he said that it was the first time that party had

been guilty of fillbustering. He declared that upon the Republican majority, rested the responsibility for defeat of several important measures in the Senate.

Mr. Lodge followed with an explanation of the Philippine bill, saying that it simply provides for further reduction of the duties on Philippine products coming into this country. Mr. Clay, of Georgia, after Mr. Lodge had explained the reduction of duties provided by the bill, announced that he would vote for it.

Mr. Patterson, of Colorado, opposed the bill, saying he objected to being used either by a trust or by any combination of speculators under the plea of humanity.

session's act. The House provision for the enlargement of the Capitol went out, but the provision for a building to be used as offices and committees rooms for the House of Representatives was retained. The provision for the payment of ex-Queen Lilioukaniani's claim went out.

out.

The provisions for the Mount Cornella and Cape Romano Light Stations, Fla., were rejected.

The appropriation of \$60,000 to pay the claims of Confederate soldiers for certain property destroyed is retained in the

PRESIDENT VETOES BILL TO PAY VIRGINIA CLAIMS

was followed by Mr. Bacon, He was followed by Mr. Bacon, who said that even if he shared the apprehension of Mr. Patterson with regard to the threatened competition of sugar and to-bacco he would still say that now is the time when the hand of relief to a desolate people should be extended.

At 6 o'clock a recess was taken until 8 o'clock.

Porto Rico was passed. The bill p for a report on Catholic Church in the island. chair appointed the following Senators to represent the Senate at the dedicatory exercises of the St. Louis Exposition—Messrs. Burnham, Depew, Penrose, Dolliver, Hansbrough, Mitchell,

Berry, Martin and Foster, or Mr. Fairbanks then presented the con-erence report on the omnibus building

o'clock.

ippine tariff bill, which, he said, was gasping out its last hours on the table

He said that Mr. Hoar had a bill, but that he had announced that if it occasioned debate it would be abandoned.

"The Senator is as mistaken as any benighted individual ever was," replied Mr. Hoar.

"We are all benighted in comparison with the luminous and illuminated intellect of the Senator," said Mr. Carmack. Continuing, he declared that Mr. Oxnard, of the beet sugar trust, would never have consented that a bill should pass the Sonate in this form if he believed it could possibly have done him any harm or have done the Filipinos any good.

Mr. McEnery, of Louisiana, then spoke on the pending bill—the Philippine tariff bill. He said it was a scheme worked

The amendment increasing the duty on sugar and tobacco from 25 to 50 per cent. of the Dingley rate was agreed to. Messrs. Dubois and Patterson spoke in oposition to the bill. The latter yielded to Mr. Quay, who sent to the desk the statehood bill as an amendment to the Philippine tariff bill and had it read. Mr. Quay called Mr. Tilman's attention to the fact that Indian Territory had been stricken out of the bill.

"Then I will vote for it," Mr. Tillman quickly replied.

The Senate agreed to the conference reports on the naval appropriation and general deficiency bills, and at 1:52 took a recess until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

TILLMAN FORCED HAND OF THE REPUBLICANS

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Murch 3.—Sena-(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.—Sonator Tillman caused a flutter in the Senate at 10 o'clock to-night by announcing his intention to defeat the naval appropriation bill and the general deficiency bill. This determination was the result of an announcement from the conference room on the general deficiency bill to the effect that the House conferees had refused to accept the Senate amendment providing for the payment of the South Carolina State claim of \$17.245. The Senator had a stack of books beside his desk almost as high as the desk, while on the deck reposed a volume of Byron's poems open at "The Vision of Judgment."

"It is a just claim and must go in." he said, "or I will defeat both the remaining bills and force an extra session of both houses of Congress. I can talk until 12 o'clock to-morrow, and that is all that is necessary for the accomplishment of my purpose."

The conferes on the general deficiency

SENATE ADOPTS REPORT

ON THE DEFICIENCY BILL

All the new Applique Laces, in | Insertions, all widths and styles Choice of over 100 pieces, a 50

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An immense lot of Venise Lace Allovers, in the correct shades, \$1.25 and \$1.50 values, 98C

all priced

Point de Paris Laces, Edges and 45 inches wide, a yard..... 50c

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 3.—During the early session of the House to-day the chair laid before the House the Presichair laid before the House the President's veto of the bill "for the allowance of claims of certain citizens of Virginia for damages to their property incident to the encampment at Manassas, and the march from Camp Alger to Thoroughfare Gap, Va., as recommended by a board of officers appointed for the consideration of claims for damages to property by volunteer soldiers during the war with Spain."

Spain."

The ground of the President's veto was that many of the claims already had been paid.

Mr. Payne moved to refer the veto message to the Committee on War Claim, and upon that question demanded the pervious question, which was ordered and the message was referred, 185 to 2.

THE OTJEN BILL DEAD FOR THIS SESSION

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.—The Otjen bill, prohibiting giving away of coupons with tobacco, is dead. The bill passed the House yesterday. When it pooner attempted to have it given econd reading, but Mr. Quay object

NO PROVISION IN BILL FOR ARMORED CRU ISER

WASHINGTON, March 3 .- The con appropriation bill reached an agreement appropriation bill reached an agreement at 10 o'clock to-night. The Senate surrendered on the principal item of disagreement—the almendment relating to the increase of the navy. The provision as agreed upon provides for three battleships of 10,000 tons displacement, and two battleships of 13,000 tons displacement, and entirely eliminates the provision for cruisers.

HIS FOG-HORN VOICE AMUSED LEGISLATORS

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 3.—An amusing scene occurred in the House to-day. The scene occurred in the House to-day. The voices of the reading clerks who officiated yesterday having been worn out by the ceaseless calling of the roll, a member of the Capitol police force was drafted to-day. He had at one time been a reading clerk of the Maryland House of Delegates, and later an auctioneer. He had a fog-horn voice and in reading his tonos gradually ascended like an auctioneer in the air of his profession, knocking down goods to the highest bidder. The members of the House as well as the spectators in the gallerles, were couvulsed with uncontrollable laughter, which changed suddenly to hand-clapping.

ping.

The new clerk believing that some according to the demonstration was The new clerk believing that some acknowledgment of this demonstration was due, suspended the reading to bow right and left. This grotesque proceeding only increased the merriment and brought down a storm of applause. The confusion became so great that Mr. Goldfogle, of New York, protested against the clerk's action as unseemly, and the chair was obliged to admonish the members to preserve order.

PRESIDENT WILL BE IN AT THE DEATH

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 3.—President
Roosevelt will go to the Capitol at 14 of my purpose."

The conferees on the general deficiency bill agreed to the amendment for which Mr. Tillman contended to pay the claim of the State of South Carolina being accepted by the House conferees. This Lroke the deadlock, and the naval and general deficiency bills passed the Senate.

THE ALASKAN TREATY HAS BEEN COMPLETED

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The report of the conferees on the sundry civil appropriation bill was presented to the Senate to-day and adopted. As the bill becomes a law it carries a total appropriation of \$23.372,955, an increase of \$22.100,555 over the amount carried by last within sixty days. The second of th